

7TH WARD ON FENCE IN MAYORAL TV FIGHT

Seeger and Hall, Leaders, Still Undeclared for Moore or Patterson

DECISION IS PROMISED SOON

Whether the Seventh Ward goes for the reform ticket or the organization ticket remains to be decided. Select Councilman Charles Seeger and Charles H. Hall, chief clerk of the Select Council, who control the political destinies of the Seventh ward, have not made up their minds whether their organization will be for Congressman Moore or Judge John M. Patterson.

Leaders of both Republican factions are conferring daily with the Seventh ward leaders and urging their support. But so far, Seeger and Hall are "sawing wood."

"Judge Patterson is a fine man as is Hamp Moore a fine man, but I do not care to favor one or the other now."

That is as far as Councilman Seeger will commit himself at present. "We are sawing wood," was the title comment of Mr. Hall.

He also admitted that he liked both Congressman Moore and Judge Patterson personally.

Decision in Few Days "We will make our decision within the next few days," continued Mr. Hall. The Seventh ward leaders wanted to bring about harmony. They headed a movement to try to bring about an agreement of both factions on City Solicitor Connelly.

Apparently the Vares were willing to support Mr. Connelly, the Penrose-Independent forces were not. The city solicitor would not run as a factional candidate.

"There was an effort to induce Mr. Connelly to run made by a number of people, including Mr. Seeger and myself," said Mr. Hall, "but Mr. Connelly would not be a factional candidate."

The city solicitor's name had been under consideration in connection with the mayoralty by organization leaders for some time.

Senator Penrose, who went to Atlantic City Saturday night, called on Congressman Moore, but when he left Seeger still was on the fence.

Congressman Vares has paid several visits to the Councilman in the interest of Judge Patterson.

Judge Sees Seeger Thomas W. Cunningham, chief clerk of the Court of Quarter Sessions, conferred yesterday with Mr. Hall and Judge Patterson also is understood to have visited Mr. Seeger last week.

David H. L. Vares, chief of the Republican organization, predicts that Judge Patterson will be the candidate of the organization for Mayor and that he will be nominated.

"There can be but one side to the contest," says Mr. Lane. "The man backed by the Republican organization will be the Republican nominee for Mayor."

"The men with the training are the men who win. You take forty-two divisions of trained men and forty-eight divisions of untrained men and you know who will win, don't you? Well, it's the same way in politics."

Followers of Senator Penrose who hurried to Atlantic City yesterday to see him were disappointed. The senator got aboard his private yacht and put out to sea, where he enjoyed the cooling breezes, far removed from political strife.

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Continued From Page One corner and the very edge of the line in this city. "I am a Republican and will make this contest as a Republican wholly within his rights as such. It will, therefore, depend upon the qualified Republican voters whether I am nominated. If the nomination comes to me I shall appeal to all voters of all parties, with assurance that if elected Mayor I will govern the city in accordance with existing law and the letter and spirit of the new city charter, without undue interference from contractors, or other prejudicial interests, and without prenomination or pre-election pledges not contemplated by law or in violation of my oath of office.

"If elected Mayor I shall appoint as directors of the various departments coming under my jurisdiction men who will co-operate with me in the observance and enforcement of the laws."

Will Have No Master "I will enter on this task with no master. If elected Mayor I shall be the trustee of the people, just as the business man would represent his concern. I will hold to strict accountability those appointed to co-operate with me.

"I am entering this fight only as a matter of civic duty, hoping my party may be pleased to aid in the work of putting Philadelphia in its rightful position at the head of all American cities."

Here Mr. Moore referred to the practical side of the campaign. "Tomorrow I will confer with those who perhaps know more about the practical work than you gentlemen. I will speak to the men in the mills, the factories, the workshops, the counting houses and the men who work along the river front."

The congressman here laid great stress upon the importance of registering. "Register! Register! Register!" he shouted, thumping his right fist in the open palm of his left hand. "Register—and, of course, vote. "Urge the women to help in all possible manner.

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Bank officials who took depositors' money in order to sport around in automobiles and stay up until long morning hours with companions soon become candidates for the undertaker. "That declaration was made yesterday by the Rev. Thomas Houston, blind evangelist, in a sermon on 'Lessons from the North Penn Bank Failure' in Central North Broad Street Presbyterian Church, Broad and Green streets. "I'll venture to say that these men who took the money of the depositors themselves plenty of money for automobiles, women and gay parties, have shortened their lives by ten to twenty years," he said. "A man or a woman always shortens his or her life by going a fast pace. "These men became the victims of mental abnormality, bordering upon temperamental insanity, which drove some of them, as we have read in the newspapers, into wild dissipations. Unquestionably, sickness will result from these excesses and their years upon this earth will be shortened. "Hard in Other Ways "This wrecking of a bank will be hard on other ways. After what has happened no one will want to associate with Mr. Moyer and the other bank officials who robbed the people of their money. These men will not be able to look the depositors of the North Penn Bank squarely in the face. "They will be ostracized, ex-

cluded from the law of gravitation and the law of gravitation will be against them. "I am told that Mr. Moyer was a good church member and church worker, in former years. If he had kept out of these things, he would not get into charges of looting the North Penn Bank as he is today. He couldn't consistently do this. It was his deliberate nature from the law of gravitation that brought shame and dishonor upon him and poverty and anxiety into hundreds of homes in this and other cities. "We know the result; it has brought ruin and disgrace upon these men and their families and ruin and tribulation to thousands of others."

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8 HURT IN OTHER WRECKS

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Mr. Kelly's anxiety for them was founded, because they had passed the crossing safely a few minutes before the accident.

Old York road and Somerville avenue. Mrs. Green was cut when two street cars collided at Twenty-ninth and Jefferson streets. Her child, which she carried in her arms at the time, was uninjured. Donnelly was run down by an automobile at Mt. Ephraim and Whitby avenues, Camden.

SHOPLIFTER GIVEN 18-MONTH TERM

Shooting Participant Gets Two Years, While Another Must Serve Five

In his first appearance on the bench of the Quarter Sessions Court, Judge Joseph P. McCullen today gave three defendants who pleaded guilty to the charges against them, long sentences in prison.

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